

**REMARKS**

**Claims Pending After Entry of the Amendment**

New claims 108-125 are added and claims 80-107 are cancelled without prejudice. Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that the new claims add no new matter and are supported by the specification as filed. Specifically, support for new claims 108-125 is found at least at page 6, lines 2-24, page 27, lines 3-7, page 29, lines 21-28, page 30, lines 1-21, page 31, lines 1-24 and in the originally filed claims. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 66, 67 and 108-125 are currently pending in this application.

**Claim Rejections under 35 USC § 103(a)**

Claims 80-107 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,961,804 to Jacobson (hereinafter "Jacobson"). The rejection of claims 80-107 is moot, as these claims are cancelled without prejudice by the instant paper.

**Double Patenting**

Claims 66, 67, and 80-107 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 76 and 77 of copending Application No. 10/145,861. The provisional rejection of claims 80-107 is moot, because claims 80-107 are cancelled without prejudice by the instant paper.


Claims 66 and 67 are not otherwise rejected. Applicants request that the double patenting rejection of claims 66 and 67 be held in abeyance until the Examiner has indicated that either application at issue is otherwise allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, entry of the amendments, and the withdrawal of all grounds of rejection and objection, and allowance of claims 66-67 and 108-125 in due course. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative by telephone at the number listed below to discuss any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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